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therein; and

a base attached to the nipple member and adapted to remain outside the oral cavity, the base including an inlet opening provided therein and a lumen extending therethrough which is in fluid communication with the conduit of the nipple member, wherein the inlet opening is sized for secure connection with a standard breathing tube such that gas can flow through the base and the nipple member for delivery via the outlet opening into the oral cavity of the patient.

12. (Twice Amended) A medical pacifier for delivering anesthetic gas to a patient, the medical pacifier comprising:

a base adapted to remain outside an oral cavity of the patient, the base having a generally concave front surface and a generally convex rear surface;

a connector projecting from the base rear surface, the connector including an inlet opening provided in a proximal end thereof and a lumen extending therethrough, the connector proximal end having an outer diameter of approximately 15 mm for compatibly attaching to a standard breathing tube for providing a source of anesthetic gas; and

a nipple member projecting from the base front surface and adapted to be received within an oral cavity of the patient, the nipple member having a conduit extending therethrough which is in fluid communication with the lumen and an outlet opening provided in a distal end thereof such that anesthetic gas can flow through the pacifier for delivery via the outlet opening into the oral cavity of the patient.